


TIME OF SERVICES	
<b>Sunday:</b>	
Bible Classes	10:00 a.m.
Worship Service	11:00 a.m.
Worship Service	6:00 p.m.
<b>Wednesday:</b>	
Bible Classes	7:00 p.m.
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1 Peter 2:7

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## How Much Time Should We Spend In Prayer?

**In Acts 6 we read** that a problem arose in the church at Jerusalem concerning the care of widows. Therefore, the apostles instructed that seven men should be appointed to take care of the matter so that they would not have to *“leave the word of God, and serve tables.”* *“Look ye out from among you seven men,”* they said, *“whom we may appoint over this business.”* *“But we,”* they continued *“will give ourselves continually to prayer, and to the ministry of the word”* (Acts 6:3,4).

Did you ever stop to consider the import of those words as far as prayer is concerned? Suppose a preacher today were to ask the brethren to give him some assistance in his work, or relieve him of some of his duties so he could have more time for prayer. Can you imagine the howl some folks would set up! *“That fellow sure can come up with some pretty lame excuses. Imagine him wanting more time off for prayer!”*

Can you imagine, for that matter, a preacher, or any other Christian today spending enough time in prayer that he would think of making such a request? I don’t know exactly how much time the apostles were spending each day in prayer. But on the basis of this passage, I doubt that it was just five or ten or even fifteen or twenty minutes.

If course the Bible doesn’t specify a minimum amount of time to be spent in prayer. And there is no point in praying a long time just to pray a long time. But the amount of time which the heart desires to spend in communion with →

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God is a pretty effective barometer of one's spiritual condition. And I fear many of us could be pronounced nearly at the point of spiritual death simply because the vital sign of desire for prayer has ebbed so low. Remember, Jesus prayed all night at times. How about you?

Possible VBS Song 🤔

### RUTH HAD LOYALTY

(Tune: High Hopes)

Ruth was a woman from a foreign place,  
Who loved God's family and was full of grace.  
Her husband died and she mourned -  
But she didn't lose faith!

(chorus)

Cause she had - loyalty,  
She had - loyalty,  
She had L-O-Y-A-L-T-Y, good loyalty

So when you live it,  
And people see it,  
And glorify God above,

They'll say -

Look there goes a loyal servant of -  
There goes a loyal servant of -  
There goes a loyal servant of God!

***If 7.6 billion people say a foolish thing over and over, it is still a foolish thing!***

***Some people do not fight the devil because they never feud with their kinfolks.***

### *News/Notes/Quotes.*

**THE SICK.** ...**Jack Ladyman** will soon learn the prognosis about his rotator cuff. ...**Pat Spencer** (Jerry's mom) has been in the hospital all week because of sickness related to her cancer treatments...**Rhea Vines** broke her leg last week and had surgery at St Bernard's. She is now at St Elizabeth's Place for therapy... **Lynissa Davis** is doing some better...**Creed Moody** is still receiving treatment continues to be treated for hearing difficulties...Remember **Virginia Bishop** in your prayers... **Courtney Harbin** continues to deal with a broken collarbone...**Charles Wayne French** (Nola Christenberry's brother) continues to battle cancer. **Sandra Stubblefield** will soon have surgery on her hand... Remember our shut-ins: **Madonna Vines** is confined at home.. **Bob** and **Jean Evans** are also confined at home...**Gail Brooks** and **Rita Kieffer** are both at St. Bernard Village...**Shirley Coots** at Lawrence County Nursing (hospice care)... **Joyce Riley** is at St. Elizabeth's Place... Remember all of these in prayer.

**GOSPEL MEETINGS (Mark your calendar!)**  
**JULY 17-21 -STONERIDGE VBS!!**

**PODCAST!** Hear a lesson from God's word each morning from John Mundy on Facebook & YouTube, 8 am.

**CONGRATS GRADUATE!** Kale Cossey will graduate from Brookland High School on May 9. Congrats on reaching this important milestone.

**MAY BIRTHDAYS** 2<sup>nd</sup> - Hallie Weaver; 3<sup>rd</sup> - Mallory Lands; 4<sup>th</sup> - Joyce Riley; 6<sup>th</sup> - Heath Ladyman; 11<sup>th</sup> - Rita Cassidy; 12<sup>th</sup> - Thomas Morgan; 14<sup>th</sup> - Jacob Martin; 15<sup>th</sup> - Jenna Malone; 19<sup>th</sup> - Kale Cossey; 22<sup>nd</sup> - Amy Cooper, DeAnne Mundy, Nellie Vanhooser; 23<sup>rd</sup> - Collins Camp; 24<sup>th</sup> - Jordan Martin; 25<sup>th</sup> - Sean Cassidy; 27<sup>th</sup> - Gavin Ellis, Shirley Stokes; 30<sup>th</sup> - Terri Jo Cureton

***It's amazing what progress the movies have made. First, they moved. Then they talked. Now they smell.***

***Don't worry about tomorrow. God is already there.***

***If God always answers prayers the way we want, then that means God is no smarter than we are.***

